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**Amendment B**

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Dear Sir or Madam:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated 02/16/2006 and consistent with the agreements reached in Applicant's 07/05/2006 interview with Examiner, Applicant makes the following response. Please note that a petition for a two-month extension of time is attached to this amendment, along with the requisite \$225 fee (small entity).